

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

In a Garden.  
L-THE BUTTERFLY.  
Who passes now to make the rose bush red?  
Who calls the lark to wind her carolings?  
No king-no prince-there only flutters by  
Dear Summer's herald on two turquoise wings.  
II-THE PASSION FLOWER.  
Long time it wove its tapestry of leaves  
And patient green upon the lichened wall  
Cov'ring the thousand stars-but when it bloomed  
Found that it glowed more beautiful than them all!  
III-APPLE BLOSSOMS.  
So white, so white, was every laden bough  
That mating birds on wings that came and go  
Scarcely dared to light and raise their triumph-song  
For fear they sang to Spring amid the snow.  
-By Archibald Sullivan, in January Smart Set.

Mansion Thrown Open.

The Executive Mansion, which has been in the hands of builders and interior decorators for some months, is now nearly in a state of complete renovation. Mrs. Swanson, who has been closely occupied with matters relating to the work of improvement at the mansion, will be ready very soon to receive congratulations on the successful finish of months of thought and care-a finish that results in the addition of a state dining-room and several other much-needed apartments to the mansion.  
The evening social event of New Year's night will be the throwing open by Mrs. Swanson of the mansion for an official reception, which will revive the memories of former days and be a splendid and brilliant affair. Governor and Mrs. Swanson will receive with Mrs. J. Taylor Elzy, the wives of members of the Governor's staff and of the State officers. Mrs. Swanson will be assisted by a number of her friends among the society women and charming young girls of Richmond.  
The mansion will be handsomely decorated, and an orchestra will render a specially selected number of musical airs.

Miss Rennold's Debut.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Rennolds have a very handsome reception last evening in honor of their debutante daughter, Miss Caroline Gordon Rennolds. The reception was held at No. 201 East Grace Street, the home of Mr. Edmund Addison, the debutante's grandfather, the whole floor being of the spacious and beautiful house being thrown open.  
Drawing-room, library, attractive reception hall and dining room were active with guests and filled with the loveliness and fragrance of superb American Beauty and Talbot roses. Palms and maiden-hair ferns carried out the December colors and mistletoe, suspended by crimson ribbons, in unsuspected nooks and doorways, emphasized the holiday mood.  
In the dining-room the table d'hôte arrangement was in vogue, and white roses, tip-tit baskets of red and white carnations, and red-velvet candles made a graceful decorative finish.  
Mr. and Mrs. Rennolds stood with Miss Caroline to welcome their guests. The debutante wore a shiny gown of steel blue chiffon, over satin, with embroidered in silver, and bore herself with gracious grace and decorum. An orchestra from a palm garden played during the reception hours. The wealth and fashion and beauty of Richmond came to bid Miss Rennolds a cordial welcome into their midst, and the most elegant debut entertainments of the winter.

In Honor of the Misses Irvin.

Miss A. D. Atkinson will give a very handsome entertainment on New Year's night at Hotel Richmond, in honor of her two granddaughters, Misses Mary and Adele Irvin, who will celebrate a double birthday on that occasion. These young ladies are among the most popular of the members of the younger society set in Richmond, and their return for the holidays will be hailed with joy.

Miss Miller to Entertain.

Miss Lena Miller, one of the most charming little hostesses in the city, will entertain a number of her friends in a pretty holiday fashion, on the afternoon of December 28th, from 4:30 to 6 o'clock. Miss Lena is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John G. Miller, of No. 108 West Avenue.

Return for Christmas.

Among the young ladies to return to the city for Christmas are Misses Nannie Patton, daughter of Major and Mrs. James D. Patton, of No. 50 West Franklin Street; Miss Cary Valentine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mann Valentine, of No. 80 West Franklin Street; and her cousin, Miss Rosalie Valentine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Valentine, of No. 30 Park Avenue, and Miss Gwendolyn Rutherford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rutherford, of No. 511 East Grace Street, all of whom are students this winter at St. Mary's School, New Jersey. Miss Jessie Jackson will also arrive this week from Sweet Heron Institute, to spend the holidays with her grandmother, Mrs. James B. Pace, of No. 70 West Franklin Street.

In Honor of Miss Taylor.

Mrs. D. T. Williams has invited friends

Poems You Ought to Know.

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.-Prof. Charles Eliot Norton.

No. 1029.

Clear the Way.

By ALGERNON CHARLES SWINBURNE.

Swinburne has always been an uncompromising Radical. The poem printed to-day is his indictment of the House of Lords.

Clear the way, my lords and lackeys! you have had your day.  
Here you have your answer-England's year against your nay:  
Long enough your house has held up: up, and clear the way!

Lust and falsehood, craft and traffic, precedent and gold,  
Tongue of courtier, kiss of harlot, promise bought and sold,  
Gave you heritage of empire over thralls of old.

Now that all these things are rotten, all their gold is rust,  
Quenched the pride they lived by, dead the faith and cold the lust,  
Shall their heritage not also turn again to dust?

By the grace of these they reigned, who left their sons their sway:  
By the grace of these, what England says her lords unsay:  
Till at last her cry go forth against them-Clear the way!

By the grace of trust in treason knaves have lived and lied:  
By the force of fear and folly fools have fed their pride:  
By the strength of sloth and custom reason stands defied.

Lost perchance your reckoning on some latter day be worse,  
Halt and hearken, lords of land and princes of the purse,  
Ere the tide be full that comes with blessing and with curse.

Where we stand, as where you sit, scarce falls a sprinkling spray:  
But the wind that swells, the wave that follows, none shall stay:  
Spread no more of sail for shipwreck: out, and clear the way!

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tion for a bridge whist party to be given in honor of Miss Eugenie Taylor at 12 o'clock on Wednesday next, December 26th. Mrs. Williams will be assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Edgar Lafferty, Mrs. Anton Thierman and Mrs. R. G. Watkins.

Colonial Play.

One of the most interesting and unique of the Christmas entertainments will be given this afternoon at 7:30 o'clock by the primary grades of Springfield School. A colonial play, entitled "Pocahontas," which is largely a dramatization of Mrs. A. W. Garber's recently published poem, will be presented by the children. The principal and teachers of the school have, with the aid of the pupils, arranged the stage to represent a woodland scene. The juvenile actors and actresses will be in beautiful Indian and colonial costumes.

The opening scene represents Pocahontas's vision of the coming of the white men, scene two shows the landing of the settlers at Jamestown; scene three contains the thrilling rescue of John Smith by Pocahontas, and scene four shows the marriage of John Rolfe and Pocahontas. The entire cast is as follows: Captain John Smith, Master Robert Lindsay; Pocahontas, Miss Dallas Barrows; John Rolfe, Master Walter Joyner; the Rev. Robert Hunt, Master Morton Billups; Powhatan, Master Henry Barlow; Indian maidens, Misses Minerva Babin, Alice Lary and Marie Garry; English settlers, Masters Hinton Buford, Joseph White, Aubin Whitworth, Walter Meredith, Robert Wright, Willie Scott and Thomas Phillips; Indian warriors, Masters Wilbur Hines, Walter Anderson, Charles Sadler, Joseph Pavey, Lee Liggins and Jimmie Foster.

At the close of the colonial play, the pupils of the grammar grade will have a cantata entitled "Christmas in Holland," in which they show the landing of the Dutch, in which the pupils in Dutch costumes will sing and play.

Martin-Long.

A very pretty wedding took place last evening at 6:30 o'clock in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Gaines Long, No. 201 Grove Avenue, when their sister, Miss Emma Louise Long, became the bride of Mr. Howard Martin, of Pine Bluff, Arkansas. The Rev. Dr. W. R. L. Smith, of the Second Baptist Church, officiated.

The entire lower floor of the house was transformed in white and holiday decorations of holly and cedar were effectively used. In the parlors, where the ceremony was performed, pink roses and palms, with softly-shaded lamps formed the decorations. In the dining-room the color scheme was red and green, carried out with Christmas bells, holly and long-stemmed American Beauty roses. The low orchestra played the wedding marches, and a selection of beautiful airs at the reception which followed the ceremony.

Mrs. William Gaines Long was matron of honor and the only attendant. She was handsomely gowned in a cream lace robe over tulle, and carried pink roses. The two little flower girls, Misses Virginia and Jessie Long, made a charming picture in their dainty frocks of white rose pink and their baskets of sweet peas, which they scattered in the bride's pathway.

The bride wore an exquisite gown of white muslin. Her hair and veil were caught with sprays of lilies-of-the-valley, and she carried a shower of the same bouquet.

A reception followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Martin left for a brief

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Dr. M. B. Radd left yesterday to spend some time at his home in Powhatan county.

Captain C. T. Smith and Miss Clara L. Smith, of Caroline county, are in the city for several days.

Mr. S. C. Richardson and Miss Nellie Talbot are spending some time with Mr. R. M. Abbott, at No. 201 East Franklin Street.

Miss Emily Waddill has returned from a visit to friends in Annapolis, Md.

Mr. Charles M. Buckford and Mrs. R. Colton Blackford, of Lynchburg, will spend the holiday season with Mrs. A. B. Camm in this city.

Miss Lottie Hoskins, of Fredericksburg, spent Wednesday in this city.

Mr. J. O. Hospital has returned to his home in Harrisonburg, after a visit of two weeks to Richmond and Charlottesville.

Mr. Sidney Saunders has gone to spend the holidays at his home in Suffolk.

Mrs. Harry Gordon has returned to her home in Roanoke after spending several days with friends in this city.

HENRICO CANDIDATES.

Three Men Out for County Treasurer and Two for Sheriff.

Three candidates are out for the treasurer of Henrico county-Mr. William Weaver of Varina District, and Mr. George Watt and Mr. H. C. Hechler (the incumbent), of Fairfield.  
For county sheriff, Sheriff Simon Solomon and Commissioner L. H. Kemp, of Varina, are the two candidates. Brookfield is interested with being the only place from which one can be elected, and Sheriff Solomon is from Brookfield.  
Commonwealth's Attorney L. O. Wendenburg and Legislator C. W. Throckmorton are also from Brookfield. These two men are looked upon as being safe for their respective positions.

LESTER CLARK MISSING.

Washington Lad of Thirteen Being Sought by His Family.

Chief of Police Louis Werner has been asked by Major Richard Sylvester, superintendent of police of New York City, to keep a lookout for Lester Clark, a thirteen-year-old boy, who has been missing from his home since the first of the month. Along with a photograph of the boy, the New York chief sends the following description, and asks that the papers print it:  
Lester Clark, white, thirteen years old, small for his age; light complexion, light hair, blue eyes; scar back of left hand; wore tan corduroy pants, dark Norfolk jacket, white shirt, black shoes and stockings, light Fedora hat; ran away from his home in this city Sunday, December 20.

TOMPKINS SENT ON.

Young Man Charged With Embezzlement Goes to Grand Jury.

Russell W. Tompkins, the young man who absconded with \$50 of his employer's money on November 20, appeared in Police Court yesterday morning, and after a short preliminary hearing, was sent on to the Hustings Court to be tried on January 1st. Tompkins was employed by Mr. A. J. Chevening, real estate agent, for four years, and was one of the most trusted employees in the firm. Mr. Chevening said that he treated him and thought of him almost as a son, and he was much grieved and surprised when he came to the knowledge of Tompkins's lapse from duty and honor.  
Mr. Chevening was the only witness examined, and he testified that he had given Tompkins about \$2,000 to deposit. Of this amount \$500 was in currency and the rest in checks. That night, Monday, he received word from Tompkins that he wanted to go to Washington, and he told him he could go. The next morning when he came to balance his books he found that they were too short, but said that Tompkins had been responsible for the shortage. He said Mr. Chevening said that he believed it was the influence of the woman whom Tompkins married, and that he was mentally unbalanced at the time. Justice Crutchfield said that was for jury to decide, and sent the case on.

Tompkins is bonded in the sum of \$1,000. Mr. Chevening being the principal bondman, Mr. George E. Wise is attorney for the prisoner.

Tompkins ran away to join Miss Josephine Brookborough in Baltimore, where he married her. He was caught a few days after the embezzlement by Detective Captain Thompson of Savannah, Ga., and brought back to Richmond.

POST-OFFICE SITE.

Government Officials Are Coming Here in January.

All matters relating to a site for the proposed new post-office for Richmond are in progress, and some time in January, it was expected that the government officials would have been here this week to look after the matter. But Congressman Lamb, who has returned from Washington, told Postmaster Cabell that when he was in the department a few days ago he was informed that nothing would be done until after the holidays.

Jamestown Commission.

The Jamestown Exposition Commission, on behalf of the State, will meet in Governor Swanson's office on January 21 for the transaction of important business. Governor Swanson is executive chairman of the body.

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LAST COUPON IN GREAT CONTEST

No Information Will Be Given Out Until Announcement on Christmas Morning.

Yesterday's issue of The Times-Dispatch contained the last coupon in the great contest for schoolroom decoration, and the children and their friends were literally "busy bees." Every one in the city, interested in some school, was eager to gather as many coupons for that school as possible. To-day and to-morrow the gathering in of the coupons, trimming them, filling them out and sending them in will continue, and Room 8, School Contest, will indeed be a busy place. Every one should remember that coupons by messenger will not be received by The Times-Dispatch after midnight of Saturday, December 23d. The only extension allowed on the time limit is in the case of coupons sent by mail and received not later than noon of Monday, December 24th. The announcement of the winning schools will be made on Christmas morning. No earlier information will be given under any circumstances, and every one is requested not to telephone any inquiries, necessitating, as they will, a polite but firm refusal for information and requiring as much time as this busy season.

Miss Brinkhaus was unable to visit any school yesterday, much to her regret. She hopes to attend the entertainments in three schools to-day-Randolph, Leigh and Central.

EXAMINATION TO-DAY.

Prospective Barristers to Appear Before Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia will to-day for the examination of candidates for license to practice law, and a large class of prospective barristers will be present from this city. The examination will be held in the court room of the Supreme Court building. The following Richmonders have also taken their license: Edmund C. Harrison, who filed his certificate yesterday; S. B. Bond, T. L. Bond, and P. N. Hubbard. A much larger number of applicants will come from other cities and counties of the State.

PAY UP BOX RENT.

New Order Effective in Richmond Post-Office January 1st.

The new order readjusting the price of boxes and lock drawers in the Richmond post-office and changing the method of paying the same, becomes effective on January 1, 1936, and if box-holders will observe the new rates, they will themselves a great deal of worry and confusion.  
Persons holding boxes may begin the payment of rent for the first quarter of 1936 on or before January 1st, but it must be paid by that date or the boxes will be locked from the inside against the holders. Box rent was always due and payable in advance, but heretofore the days of grace were given before the boxes were locked. Now this grace is cut off, and payment must be made before the first day of each quarter.

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